

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-34 are currently pending in the present patent application. In view of at least the following, all currently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and, therefore, the Applicants' attorney requests that the Examiner withdraw all outstanding rejections. *However, if after considering this response the Examiner does not allow all of the claims, the Applicants' attorney requests that the Examiner contact him to schedule a telephone interview to further the prosecution of this application.*

Rejection of Claims 1-34 under 35 U.S.C. § 251 as being based upon a defective reissue declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.175

A current Supplemental Declaration from each of the inventors has been executed and accompanies this paper. Applicants' attorney respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection.

Conclusion

The absence of additional patentability arguments should not be construed as either a disclaimer of such arguments or that such arguments are not believed to be meritorious. In light of at least the reasons discussed herein, existing claims 1-34 are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any further questions about the application, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney at (425) 455-5575 to resolve the matter.

In the event additional fees are due as a result of this response, payment for those fees has been enclosed in the form of a check. Should further payment be required to cover such fees you are hereby authorized to charge such payment to Deposit Account No. 07-1897.

Respectfully submitted,

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